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For : METHOD OF MANUFACTURING AN OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM  
AND OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM MANUFACTURING APPARATUS

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir :

In response to the Official Action of December 8, 2008, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response has been set to expire on March 9, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein-contained remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on *page 2 of this paper*.

**Remarks** begin on *page 4 of this paper*.